

SLAYER OF G. O. COOPER CONFESSES HIS GUILT

John Ginza, Japanese Arrested At Keanae, Makes Full Confession Today To Officers --- Motive 5-Year Old Grudge --- Planned Murder Month Ago But Lost Nerve --- Steals Horse To Return And Commit Crime

HANA, September 8.—2:30 p. m.—Shortly after noon today John Ginza, the Japanese arrested on suspicion of killing George O. Cooper, made full confession to the crime to Sheriff Crowell and County Attorney Bevins. Ginza states that he came back from Hawaii for the sole purpose of killing Cooper, because of a dispute over some money matter some five years ago when he was a laborer on the plantation. He also confessed to stealing a horse from Haiku to make his trip of vengeance.

Ginza further admitted that he came to Hana a month ago to kill Cooper, but at that time his nerve failed him and he left without accomplishing his purpose.

RENEWED OLD QUARREL

The Japanese was mounted at the time he met Cooper and took the first shot at him. Cooper fell from his horse, and Ginza was also thrown, and the two struggled for the revolver. Finally the Japanese broke away and fired the other shots which ended the affray.

Sheriff Crowell will conduct an inquest tomorrow morning and will leave for home with his prisoner tomorrow afternoon.

THINK JAPANESE MAY CONFESS

A telephone message received late this afternoon from Sheriff Clem Crowell at Hana indicates that he and County Attorney Bevins are confident that they have the murderer of George Cooper under arrest. Both believe that they will have the mystery cleared up before dark tonight. "We will have evidence enough to convict in less than two and a half hours," was the statement made by the officer.

Cowardly shot down from behind with two bullets which penetrated and passed through his body, George O. Cooper of Hana was killed early last Tuesday morning a few hundred feet from the Plantation office. One other bullet caused a slight flesh wound just under his left armpit. One of the first two bullets passed through his body at the waist line and the other just above. Either of the two wounds would have proved fatal.

The identity of the assassin has not been definitely established, although the police have one suspicious character under arrest against whom there is much circumstantial evidence—circumstantial evidence which is corroborated in almost every respect, except as to proof of the motive for the murder.

Shot From Horse

Cooper left his home Tuesday morning, as was his custom between 4 and 5 o'clock. His body was found a few minutes before 6 o'clock by his brother-in-law, Antonio Serreno, the board of health inspector at Hana. Cooper was dead when found, but there were indications that he had lived for a short time after being wounded.

When Cooper left his home, about one mile from the Plantation office, he was mounted on a horse which was found returning to the Cooper home a few moments before the body was discovered. Cooper had followed a plantation railway track from his home on his way to the office. This runs through growing cane for the most part. The cane was peculiarly dense where the crime was committed and would have formed a secure hiding place for the murderer. The condition of the earth where the body was found showed that Cooper had fallen from his saddle after being shot.

Immediately after the Hana police learned of the crime officers in adjoining villages were notified and also the sheriff's department in Wailuku. Orders were at once issued by Sheriff Crowell to permit no one whose identity was not positively known to leave the district and to form a careful patrol. Due to the topography of the country about Hana where there are but two roads leading from the district, excepting egress by the sea, it was comparatively easy to establish a closely formed guard at all points around the district.

Stranger Is Suspected

The Hana police at once fixed suspicion upon a man thought to be a stranger who had been seen early in the morning riding out of the district toward Nahiku on a bay horse. The rider was described as having had his hat pulled well down over his face, as if to avoid recognition. Ten minutes before Cooper's body was found, Serreno had noticed a

man he took for a stranger riding furiously away from the direction in which the body was afterwards located. A police officer at the plantation camp on the Nahiku side of Hana also reported as having seen this supposed to be stranger.

Through this clue and the notification of the officers of the district, John Ginza was arrested for investigation at Keanae at 10 o'clock that morning. The prisoner was immediately taken back to Hana to be examined by Sheriff Crowell and County Attorney Bevins who had left for that side of the island by a sampan as soon as word of the murder reached Wailuku.

Ginza Was Armed

Ginza is a Hawaiian who was raised by a Hawaiian family by the name of Nahipoa, now residents of the Hana district. During Ginza's youth, they at one time resided in Wailuku. Ginza reached the Hana district by horseback on the day before the murder and is said to have spent the night with his foster parents.

When arrested Ginza was armed with a U. S. hammerless 38-calibre revolver, which the Hana physician, Dr. Litchfield, says is the size of the weapon that caused Cooper's death.

Further suspicion is directed toward Ginza as he was mounted on a bay horse, the same color of the animal, which the man, thought to be a stranger, was seen riding away from near the scene of the murder. Ginza stole the horse in Hamakua-poko early this week and then left for Hana.

Has Jail Record

Ginza was in Hana for a few days a month ago and left there to go to Hilo, where he has lived at different times. It had been five or six years since he had been in the Hana district before that, it is claimed. Before coming on his visit, preceding the Hilo trip, he had just been released from jail in Honolulu where he had been serving a sentence for vagrancy, according to the police. The police state that he has served other sentences for attempted burglary and for receiving stolen goods.

While Ginza is reported to be maintaining his innocence of the Hana crime, the only argument put forth in his favor is that he could not have had time to have ridden to Keanae from Hana after the crime was committed before he was arrested. This argument is made by those who know the long time it takes to ride over the path trail from Nahiku to the little village.

Motive May Have Been Old Grudge

As to the motive which caused the crime the police are puzzled. Cooper had \$60.00 in currency in his pockets, a valuable watch and a number of endorsed checks, some of which were his property and some which were the property of the plantation. All his valuables were found in his pockets.

This inclines the police to believe that the real motive of the murder was some fancied grudge against Cooper. Another supposition is that the motive was robbery, but that the murder was frightened away before he was able to accomplish his purpose. The theory is advanced that the murder attempted to hold-up Cooper and when commanded to deliver over his money the murdered man resisted or started to ride away and that he was then shot from his saddle.

Sheriff Crowell and County Attorney Bevins intend to remain in the Hana district until they have positively proved Ginza's guilt, or until the murderer, if it is not he, is discovered, according to telephone statements they have made to the press in Wailuku.

All Maui Shocked

It is not the intention of the officers to hold the inquest or the preliminary hearing of Ginza until they have secured more evidence to corroborate the string of circumstantial evidence against him. They are working now intent on establishing the motive for the murder.

News of the Hana tragedy cast a gloom of sorrow all over Maui, as Cooper was widely known and just as widely liked, due to his sterling honesty and genial nature. In Hana, where he has lived for so many years,

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Dr. Raymond Enters Race For Senate

Fifteen Republicans And Four Democrats Seek Election As Representatives; T. B. Lyons And George Cook Aspirants For Senatorial Togo

Dr. J. H. Raymond's entrance into the race for a seat in the Territorial senate, from Maui, on the democratic ticket, was the sensational feature in local politics this week. The Doctor did not decide to get into the lists again until a few days before the date for closing of the nominations. His papers were filed on Tuesday.

Another candidate of the Bourbons from Maui for the other seat to be filled in the upper house is T. B. Lyons. He also got his nomination papers in on Tuesday.

Democrats Also For House

The Maui democrats have also a number of candidates now in the race for the House of Representatives. Two of these are from Lahaina—Moke Kaunahua and J. K. Hihio. The latter was a member of the legislature in 1910, and he was one of the first board of supervisors, as a Home Ruler, on what came to be known as the "10-day county government", the first county act being declared unconstitutional. From Makawao, Jerry Burns is also again in the race for the democrats, for a seat in the lower house; and as previously announced, M. C. Picanco is out for like honors.

The full list of Maui candidates for the house and senate are as follows:

For senate, Republican ticket: H. A. Baldwin and George Cooke; Democratic ticket, T. B. Lyons and J. D. Raymond.

For representative, Republican ticket: L. Makia, J. Kaupu, C. Kaanoi, C. Mahekaui, John Brown, Jr., J. Kaonohi, L. B. Kaumehewa, Enos Vincent, W. R. Crockett, Sam Kuula, Nawahine, Tavares, L. Joseph, M. G. Paschoal and E. Waiakole; Democratic ticket, Pleweo, Moke Kaunahua, Jerry Burns, and J. H. Hihio.

Filipino Woman Attempts Suicide

Despondent because her white affinity, a soldier is now detailed on duty at the Mexican border and because the police had warned her to discontinue her relations with a Punene Camp 5 admirer, Mrs. Alehardo, a Honolulu Filipino woman attempted to hang herself from a tree early last Tuesday morning. The woman was discovered in time to prevent her from taking her life. She was arrested on a statutory charge shortly afterward and fined twenty dollars in the police court. Her paramour was given a sentence of six months imprisonment. The woman was arrested several weeks ago, but after promising to return to Honolulu she was released. She was not seen again by the police until she attempted to commit suicide. The woman is the mother of a five year old boy, the son of the soldier. The police are in a quandary as to what to do with the child while the woman is serving her sentence.

Maui Race Horses Break Track Records

Francis B. H. A. Baldwin's speedy racing animal, broke a twenty year record for Hawaiian bred horses over a mile and a half course in the Labor Day races at Kapiolani Park in Honolulu. The time by Francis B. was 2:43 2-5, beating 2:46 2-5, the time held by Duke during all those years.

A Honolulu report of the race states that with Copra scratched, Francis B. and Koichi were the only entries. The Maui Hawaiian-bred, with Benny Rollins up, moved away from the flag at a great rate and took the pole at the start. At the first turn Francis B. had two lengths of daylight behind her. Mr. Baldwin's entry moved up steadily until at the grandstand he was seven lengths to the good.

By winning this race Mr. Baldwin received the Duke of Norfolk cup, offered by Colonel Spalding to the horse which should beat the 2:46 2-5 time set by Duke for Hawaiian-breds twenty years ago.

Copra was another Maui record-breaker. Dr. Fitzgerald's bay filly copied the stakes hands in the Inter-island cup and set a mark for Hawaiian-breds of 0:47 4-5 over the four furlongs distance.

While F. H. Looney's entry, Denervo, failed to win in the free-for-all trotting and pacing race, the animal brought the crowd in the grandstands to its feet in the first two heats by his burst of speed on the home stretch. In both the first and second heat Denervo challenged at the home stretch, but managed to win only in the second.

If everybody expected to see a BIG MAUI COUNTY FAIR and then left it to others to do the work, there would be no fair. Do your part.

New Inter-Island Rates Are Opposed

Chamber Aims Grievances Against Company — Speakers Are Caustic In Making Complaints—Non-Delivery Of Freight To Be Investigated

Led by Harold Rice, a half dozen speakers paid caustic attention to the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company at the Commerce supper last Tuesday night. The speakers' complaints were numerous. They included the proposed increase in freight rates, the non-delivery of freight from the Tuesday Claudine and the failure of that company to use the Keheh wharf.

Rice opened the floodgates holding back the wrath of the Maui people against the company by saying that he thought the chamber ought to carefully consider the new freight rates which the company expect to put into effect in a few weeks. He frankly admitted that his personal interest is in the cattle freight tariff, although he declared that he believed that some of the other proposed rates would be found on investigation to be just as unwarranted. He asked for an expression of opinion from the chamber.

David Fleming was another speaker regarding the cattle freight rates. He hotly declared that the men of east-central Maui were not getting a square deal from the company. Both speakers called attention to the fact that the present rate to Honolulu is \$3.50 per head and that the company intends to increase the rate to \$5.00. They said the rate from Kawaihau would be put one dollar more, although at this port the cattle have to be taken out to the ships by small boats, where in Kahului they are loaded from the wharf.

Joaquin Garcia made a motion that the question of the increase of freight rates be taken up by a committee of five with the public utilities commission. After some further discussion, during which the non-delivery of freight from the Tuesday Claudine was brought up, the motion passed.

Later, though, the question was again brought before the chamber by Rice who insisted that the question be not left entirely to the committee, which he said would not have time to act before the public utility commission held its next meeting. This view was taken by the majority of those present and a motion was passed which declared it to be the sense of the chamber that it was opposed to any increase in the freight tariffs.

Rev. J. Charles Villiers then said that he thought similar action should be taken regarding the carrying by of freight intended for Central Maui by the Claudine on Tuesday. H. B. Penhakow had previously asked the chamber to consider the subject. This cause of complaint called forth biting statements from a number of other speakers, among whom were William Walsh.

After more discussion it was decided to appoint a committee of three to see if the mail schedule could not be altered so the Claudine can remain long enough in Kahului on Tuesday to unload its freight. This same committee will also attempt to get the Inter-Island to use the Keheh wharf.

Delegates Named For Convention

Twelve men were named as delegates to the Fifth Civic Convention at the supper meeting of the Maui Chamber of Commerce. A number of others may later be given credentials as delegates if they notify the secretary of the chamber that they wish to attend the convention.

In the selection of the delegates, President Wadsworth did not ask for formal nominations but suggested instead that all those who intended to go to Hilo should indicate their intention by holding up a hand. This was done and in a few minutes a motion was passed requiring that credentials be given all those who had signified their intention of attending the convention.

The delegates named are as follows: R. A. Wadsworth, W. Leslie West, Frank V. Lufkin, Hugh Howell, L. von Tempky, Thomas Dunn, W. F. Crockett, A. F. Costa, James Foss, George Dunn, W. F. Pogue and D. H. Case.

West wanted to know after the election of the delegates if they were to go in some kind of uniform, or as "a nondescript crew." Reference was made to former delegations, not wholly complimentary, and it was urged that something distinctive be decided upon. This met with approval and it is the intention of the delegates to decide upon some novel method of distinguishing them from the other delegations.

R. Franklin of Chico, California, who has been engaged to teach in the Makawao school, arrived on Maui in the Mauna Kea last Wednesday night. He was accompanied by Fred Murphy of Sacramento, who has been assigned to the Kahakapulu school. Both the young men are graduates of the Chico Normal.

OVER 100 CANDIDATES IN PRIMARY ELECTION RACE

No Democratic Nominations From Hawaii --- Kuhio Has Opposition --- Retaliation Clause In Revenue Bill Still Stands --- Abandonment Of Medical Inspection Of Ships Starts Argument --- Hughes Attacks 8-Hour Law

HONOLULU, Sept. 8.—One hundred and thirteen candidates filled nomination papers for the primaries.

Bourbons of Hawaii fail to get into race

McCandless is sure of nomination as candidate for delegate. Kuhio and Louissou of Hawaii both after nomination on Republican ticket.

Crew of Kunalu Boat Club may compete in the boat races at the Regatta. The girls' club is expected to make good showing.

Local quarantine discussion was taken up by the Rotary Club. Dr. Hobdy and Dr. Pratt argued for retention of the quarantine. L. A. Thurston took opposite side of the contention. Hobdy believes present system will keep malaria at bay. Thurston argued that the examination causes unnecessary delay to travelers without adequate compensation.

Two Japanese have escaped from quarantine.

PARIS, Sept. 8.—Rumanian garrison has surrendered. Twenty thousand prisoners were taken when Germans and Bulgarians captured the garrison as it attempted to escape across river.

Slavs report gains in Galicia, which are admitted by both Berlin and Vienna.

French and British continue their advance on Somme.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Retaliation clause in revenue bill still stands. Representatives pass measure by viva voce vote after considering the reports of the conference committee of both houses.

The lower house will quit labor at 10 o'clock today. New bill for the protection of American commerce and industries prevents the dumping of goods on this market by Europeans.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 8.—Solons of Denmark agree on policy. Will appoint committee to investigate the sale of the Danish West Indies.

BATTLE HARBOR, Sept. 8.—Arctic ship reaches port safely. The revenue cutter Cluett with members of McMillan expedition safely in port.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Germans are ready for trade war and are gathering resources for big struggle.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 8.—Prof. Jordan has peace plans. He announces president will not have definite policy until after election.

HAMPTON, Sept. 8.—Hughes attacks eight-hour law. Says it is another step towards abdication of government.

THE HAGUE, Sept. 8.—A large aeroplane bombarded Brussels. It is believed to have been British.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 7.—Bearing full weight of the German-Bulgarian attack launched along the new frontier of Rumania, the Rumanian city of Turtukui has fallen. After fierce fight the city was evacuated by Rumanian garrison and many citizens left also.

BUCHAREST, Sept. 7.—With large reinforcements rushed from Balkan camps, German and Bulgarian army beleaguering Tuitukui are continuing attack on the garrison. Rumanian troops are making almost ceaseless attacks.

BERLIN, Sept. 7.—More than 20,000 Rumanian prisoners taken today when Bulgarians and Germans captured Turtukui. Large military stores also captured. Town fell in face of fierce attack, which carried storming parties over the fences.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 7.—Russians are surrounding strong fortress town on Halicz, 60 miles southwest of Lemberg. They bombarded city until in flames.

PARIS, Sept. 7.—French troops attacked bridge on German line in front of Verdun today and by following up with infantry charges they captured German front line trenches over a front a mile long. They took 250 prisoners and drove defenders back to the second line defense.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—Guards on the border are to remain there according to announcement made here today.

President signs new shipping bill.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—Henry Ford has filed a damage suit for one million dollars against the Chicago Tribune. Tribune excited his anger by calling him an anarchist.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Car strike on in New York, but not many men quit work. Traction line able to keep all but one division moving.

HONOLULU, Sept. 7.—Secretary Roberts will keep open until midnight to take mail.

William Achi and Sam Kellinai entered today. Rush of candidates is expected to be on until late this evening.

Invitation to Governor Pinkham is now repudiated. Puahi faction terms the men who attempted to harmonize as self-appointed. They declare the party will not support Fern as candidate. McCandless has accepted.

HONOLULU, September 7.—Ex-Governor Frear, as guest at luncheon of Sydney Club, told of the great rivalry of Pacific countries, which struggle may be friendly or most bitter in history. He told Australians that we are trying to build real American territory in Hawaii.

The baby elephant arrived in town yesterday and was placed at Kapiolani park.

Rumored sale of the island of Lanai has blown up. Shingle and Loietzen have made another trip of inspection to the island.

PARIS, September 7.—General Foch reports capturing outskirts of Chaubnes and cutting of railroad leading to Roze.

WASHINGTON, September 7.—Revenue bill blocks plan of Congress for adjournment. Conference committee deadlock on stamp taxes and issue hangs fire, spoiling preparations for the adjournment. Solons now hope to be able to leave Saturday.

Owens' corrupt practice act stirs wrath of Senators and starts heated argument.

LONDON, September 7.—Berlin admits big Slav victory on the Galicia front.

NEW LONDON, September 7.—Big international conference opens. Joint sea commission begins session with general discussion regarding conditions.